Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Shirly Holt is a recognized artist and an environmental activist who has worked diligently to protect her beloved Lake Cochrane, located near Gary, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Shirly, and her late husband, Clayton, dedicated the last 20 years to preserving Lake Cochrane's pristine beauty; and,

Whereas, Shirly and Clayton convinced the South Dakota Department of Water and Natural Resources and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to conduct an Environmental Impact Study on Lake Cochrane, which resulted in the cessation of pumping the aquifer that supplies the spring-fed lake; and,

Whereas, Shirly and Clayton were successful in preserving several rare calcareous fens located in the Lake Cochran area; and,

Whereas, Shirly is a recognized artist who captures the spirit of the person in her sculptures and who has been commissioned to make sculptures of professional athletes, other professionals, historical figures, coaches, and children; and,

Whereas, Shirly will be receive the South Dakota Resource Award on May 7, 2011, and it is fitting and proper to honor this outstanding South Dakotan on this special occasion:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 7, 2011, as

SHIRLY HOLT DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State